

Committee Report of Resources Committee Meeting Live and via MS Teams January 12, 2022

Present: Bob Beckett, Trustee (Committee Chair)
Wendy Hobbs, Trustee (Committee Member)
Bob Phillips, Trustee (Committee Member)
Ravi Parmar, Trustee
Harold Cull, Secretary-Treasurer
Ceilidh Deichmann, SPVPA
Amber Leonard, CUPE
Michelle Mackintosh, SPEAC
Ed Berlando, STA
Steve Tonnesen, IT
Windy Beadall, Lead Educator Capital Planning
Randy Cobb, Transportation Manager
Pete Godau, Director Facilities
David Lee-Bonar, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

Guests:

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRST NATIONS TERRITORIES

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by the Committee Chair, Bob Beckett acknowledged that we are honoured to be meeting on the traditional territories of the Coast Salish, specifically Esquimalt Nation, Songhees Nation and acknowledge the three nation SD 62 works with directly in our schools; Sc'ianew Nation, Coast Salish, and T'Sou-ke Nation; including the West Coast Pacheedaht Nation Nuu-chah-nulth. (words gifted by the three Nations SD62 works with)

2. COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board of Education of Sooke School District 62 (Sooke) received the Resources Committee Report dated December 8, 2021 at its Public Board Meeting dated December 14, 2021.

3. PRESENTATIONS

4. BUSINESS

4.1 Committee Mandate/Reminders – Bob Beckett

The Resources Committee discussed the role and purpose of the Committee and the valuable input the Committee has in Board decisions. The Committee was provided a copy of policy and regulation A-340: School Board Committees which outlines the details of the committee mandate and membership. The Committee Chair recognized the long service of committee member Ed Berlando, and Trustees Hobbs and Phillips.

The Mandate of the Resources Committee: To meet with the Secretary-Treasurer, other appropriate staff, and district partner groups to review and recommend to the Board direction and actions pertaining to:

- Building construction, maintenance and district facilities, transportation and custodial services;
- Develop and recommend to the Board long range planning for accommodating the District's needs related to sites and buildings;
- Make recommendations to the Board regarding the annual Capital Budget submission to the Ministry of Education;
- Consider and make recommendations to the Board on the District's operating, special purpose and capital budgets;
- Consider and recommend to the Board new or adjusted bylaws;
- Consider and make recommendations to the Board on the District's business and accounting services;
- Consider, recommend and provide advice and information to the Board related to human resources; and
- Other matters referred by the Board.

The Membership consists of:

- Three Trustees appointed in December of each year by the Board Chairperson;
- Superintendent;
- District staff;
- Any Trustees not assigned may attend as a guest;
- A representative from Sooke Teachers' Association (STA);
- A representative from CUPE Local 459;
- A representative from Sooke Principals and Vice-Principals Association (SPVPA);
- A representative from Sooke Parent Education Advisory Council (SPEAC); and
- A Student representative.

4.2 21/22 Budget Recalculation – David Lee Bonar

David Lee-Bonar provided an overview of the recalculated Operating Grant and Classroom Enhancement Fund Grant. Staff will be preparing the Amended Budget Bylaw for consideration by the Committee in February which will include staff's recommendation of an expenditure plan for one time funding this fiscal year.

Motion Requested: That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) allow all three readings of the 2021/22 Amended Budget Bylaw at its meeting of February 22, 2022.

4.3 22/23 Budget Principles, Assertions and Process – Harold Cull

Based on the initial committee discussion back in December, Harold Cull requested support from the Committee on the proposed budget principles, assertions and process for the 22/23 fiscal year.

Motion Requested: That the Board of Education of School District 62 (Sooke) approve the proposed 22/23 budget principles, assertions and process as outlined at the January 12, 2022 Resources Committee Meeting.

4.4 School Construction Guiding Principles – Ravi Parmar/Windy Beadall

Ravi Parmar and Windy Beadall provided an initial list of guiding principles to the Committee in support of future capital projects. The Board Chair discussed the importance of engaging our partner and stakeholder groups on this topic and requested feedback prior starting the conversation with the wider community of staff, students, parents and local municipalities. The Committee discussed options to ensure that it gains the valuable input of our students, and Indigenous Nations. The Board of Education would like to ensure that it fosters a culture of belonging and wellness in its District, and that it serves the diverse population while ensuring a positive impact on society and the environment.

4.5 Transportation Policy Update – Harold Cull/Randy Cobb

Randy Cobb was introduced and provided his initial comments on the District’s transportation system. Discussion centered around in and out catchment riders and walk limits vs. safe routes to school. The need to match services with our limited resources was also discussed.

5. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING DATE: February 8, 2022